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C O N F I D E N T I A L SINGAPORE 2599

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MARR, SN, OVIP

SUBJECT: LEE'S VISIT TO LONDON

REF: SINGAPORE 2532 (NOTAL)

1. LONDON'S PRESS REPORT CITED REFTEL PRECIPITATED GOS ANNOUNCEMENT JUNE 11 THAT PRIME MINISTER LEE WOULD LEAVE FOR LONDON IN MID-JUNE TO MEET BRITISH MINISTERS. FOLLOWING MEETING WITH SOCIALIST LEADERS AT CHEQUERS HOSTED BY PRIME MINISTER WILSON, LEE WILL VISIT FRANKFURT, OSLO AND PARIS. IN CONNECTION WITH CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD PROJECTS.

2. GOS ANNOUNCEMENT NOTED THAT "A FURTHER RUNDOWN OF BRITISH FORCES IN SINGAPORE IS EXPECTED. ALTHOUGH BRITISH GOVERNMENT DECISIONS ARE EXPECTED TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER IN OCTOBER THIS YEAR, THE SINGAPORE GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE TO HAVE EARLIER INDICATIONS OF BRITISH THINKING ON A LIKELY TIMETABLE FOR THE RELEASE OF PROPERTIES OCCUPIED BY THEM IN SINGAPORE. THIS WILL
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HELP IN PLANNING THEIR CONVERSION FOR

HER USES."

3. COMMENT: GOS ANNOUNCEMENT PROBABLY DESIGNED TO SPIKE ANY IMPRESSION IN KUALA LUMPUR OR ELSEWHERE THAT LEE WAS GOING TO LONDON TO PLEAD WITH WILSON TO KEEP REMAINING UK FORCES IN SINGAPORE. INSTEAD TONE OF ANNOUNCEMENT AND REFERENCE TO REVERSION OF PROPERTIES CONVEYS IMPRESSION GOS IS CONVINCED BRITISH WITHDRAWAL IS FOREGONE CONCLUSION.
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